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Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies,

"There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit." - Ronald Reagan

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## Happy Birthday!!! August Birthdays:

Lady Barbara Black, wife of Harold D. Black Lady Bonnie Dove, wife of James L. Dove Lady Barbara Forney, wife of Lloyd R. Forney Lady Vickie Gundrum, wife of David L. Gundrum Lady Marcy Lasko, lady of Vance A. Roberts Lady Debra Sue Spencer, wife of Kevin M. Spencer Lady Kathy Stroud, wife of Phillip W. Stroud Lady Georgia Vaught, wife of Duane L. Vaught Sir Knight James L. Bolinger Sir Knight Charles R. Bowling



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## Happy Anniversary!!! August Anniversaries:

Wilford & Jennie Lutes John & Kathy McClelland Jerald & Cindy Miller Dirk & Valerie Rader Mike & Patty Robbins Norman & Gloria Smith Phillip & Kathy Stroud

*Let us celebrate with you!* Send me your birthday and anniversary so you can be included in the newsletter. monipaints4u@yahoo.com

## Indiana Templar Academy



ITA in Northern IN Ft. Wayne



ITA in Southern IN Bedford

Grand Commandery had three ITAs across the state at the end of June and beginning of July. There were approximately 30 people in attendance at the one in Ft. Wayne and the one in Franklin, with 17 people attending the one in Bedford. Topics included Inspections, Receptions, Tactics, Protocol, History, Uniforms and Publicity This year's instructors were Mike Robbins, REGC, Donnie Robinette, VEDGC and Ed Fodrea, EGG. If you have suggestions about what you might like to see at the next ITA, please contact one of them.



ITA in Central IN Franklin



Christine Fodrea made cupcakes for everyone! Yum!

## **Summer Meeting and Picnic**





On July 27th, the Grand Commander held the Summer Meeting at the Franklin Lodge followed by the Picnic at the Shelter house at Compass Park. Both events were very well attended. It was a great day of fellowship.









## Kokomo Commandery #31

June 29, 3 Sir Knights from Kokomo Commandery presented the United States Flag at a local baseball game for the Kokomo Jackrabbits team. This is the third year that Kokomo Commandery has had this honor. The Sir Knights that participated are, from left to right, SK Barry Clouser, SK Mike Winters, and SK Charles Smelser.

Submitted by Barry Clouser

## **Baldwin Commandery #2**

Baldwin Commandery has been serving pizza at the Shelby County Fair since 1966. This year's fair was July 1-6. Once again, the Sir Knights and volunteers were serving pizza to hungry crowds. The tips they collected were donated to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund. They had record Take 'n Bake sales this year!





#### **Greenfield York Rite**

The Greenfield York Rite presents scholarship. KYCH - Chris Steel presents a \$1,000.00 scholarship to 4-H Member Evan McLaughlin. Scholarship made possible by those GREAT YORK RITE PIZZA'S.



by Larry Gray





## LaPorte Commandery #12

LaPorte Commandery participated in their local 4th of July parade. Pictured are Sir Knight Larry Williams, PGC, and Sir Knight Bill Franks.

## Indiana Grand Commandery's FIRST Ritual Competition

Mike Robbins, REGC, has announced the FIRST annual Ritual Competition for Indiana. The competition is open to all Sir Knights and will take place at Conclave on April 25th. Sir Knights are eligible to compete in both the Ritual Competition and the Drill Team Competition. Near the end of the Newsletter, you will find additional details and the registration form.





#### **Tipton Commandery UD**

Tipton Commandery UD had their first meeting on July 13. Breakfast was served at 9am. At 10am, the first stated meeting was opened in full form with 13 Sir Knights attending. This is a great group of fun guys that enjoy each other's company. Their excitement for Commandery is contagious!



## Sir Knights Needed for Detail

Traditionally the Sir Knights of Indiana play an important part in the Masonic Home Festival. This year's festival will be on September 15th. Sir Knights are needed for the Flag Presentation in the morning (assemble at 8:15am), and leading the parade in the afternoon (assemble at 2:30pm). Contact Phil Whisner to participate in the ceremonies. <u>p\_whisner@aol.com</u>

Bring your family out for a great day of fun and fellowship!

## **Easter Sunrise Bus Trip**

The schedule for the Easter Sunrise Bus trip 2020 is out! This year's trip includes some new adventures and is sure to be a lot of fun. Friends and families are welcome to attend. Look for the flyer at the end of the newsletter, or download it at IndianaKnightsTemplar.com





Newby-Avery-Vaught Securing Our Future

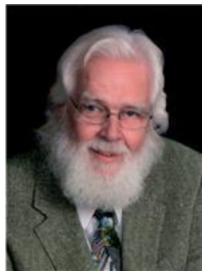
#### Save the Date

The Newby-Avery-Vaught Banquet and Winter meeting will be held on January 18th. Stay tuned for further details...

# In Метолу...

David D. Belcher, 75, of Mt. Vernon, IN passed away July 8, 2019. He was born April 10, 1944 in Paris Island, SC to the late William and Frances (Luichinger) Belcher.

David graduated from Reitz High School in 1962. He was an active member of numerous masonic and civic organizations including Beulah Masonic Lodge #578 and Hadi Temple. David enjoyed playing cards with his friends and playing Santa for community events, especially 911 Gives Hope.



He was preceded in death by his son, Jeff Belcher; brothers, Stephen Belcher and Jay Klamer.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Betty (Royalty) Belcher; son, Jamie Belcher; grandchildren, Sean, Tarrah, Sarah and Emily Belcher; great-grandchildren, Kenley, Leia and Ryker; mother-in-law, Caroline Winternheimer; nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held at 10:00 am on Friday, July 12, 2019 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 5301 S. St. Phillips Rd., Evansville, IN, with Rev. Dennis Wathen officiating and burial to follow in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm on Thursday, July 11, 2019 at the Beulah Masonic Lodge #578, 1131 W. 4th St., Mt. Vernon, IN, with a Hadi Hospital Staff walk-through and Masonic Service at 7:00 pm. Visitation will also be held from 9:00 am until 10:00 am service time on Friday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Beulah Lodge Scholarship Fund or the St. Paul's UMC Cemetery Fund.

Condolences may be made online at www.schneiderfuneralhome.com

Published in Mount Vernon Democrat on July 10, 2019

## **Supporting our Youth Groups!**

## **DeMolay**



**Columbus DeMolay** 

July 9th, Columbus DeMolay - York Rite Chapter Sno Kone Team is at the Bartholomew County Fair selling \$1 Sno Kones....the least expensive & "COOLEST" item you can buy at the fair.

...and it supports a GREAT organization...the young men of DeMolay.

by Dirk Rader



#### **Speedway DeMolay**

At Speedway's Stated Meeting on July 17th, Representatives of Speedway Relay for Life presented the chapter with a "Club M" award for raising over \$10k for the fight against cancer.

## **Supporting our Youth Groups!**

## Job's Daughters



#### **Southport Bethel #32**

Job's Daughter Bethel #32 had their Installation on July 13. Several Sir Knights were on hand to Form the Lines for the girls.



## Best wishes on an amazing year!

#### **Greenfield Bethel #67** Job's Daughter Bethel #67 had their Installation of Officers on July 16th.





## **Supporting our Youth Groups!**

## **Rainbow Girls**



The Rainbow Girls invited several special guests to participate in the judging of the flags.



Archie Smallwood, Jim Catania, and Mike Robbins represented the Grand York Rite Bodies at the Rainbow Girls Grand Session.



## **Rainbow Girls Grand Session**

The Rainbow Girls had their 79th Grand Session on July 11th at the Seasons Lodge in Nashville. The Grand Session opened Thursday night with a prayer, Flag Presentation, introductions, the pledge, and welcoming special guests. Allison Deckard had a great year as Grand Worthy Advisor! Allison's theme was Under the Sea. There was a fun dance by all the Grand Officers as their Session opened.

13 Sir Knights were present to Form the Lines as Mike Robbins, REGC, escorted Allison to the East.



A Flag Presentation in hoop skirts - now that takes skill!

## What's Happening in Other Masonic Bodies...



#### **Grand Lodge**

Brenan Hall, son of Joe and Tracy Sparks, was presented with a scholarship from the Indiana Freemasons on July 14th. Congratulations, Brenan!





#### **Grand Chapter**

Several members of the Board of Directors of Royal Arch Research Assistance took part in the presentation of \$60,000.00 check to Dr. David Moore of the Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Royal Arch Research Assistance supports Autism Speaks. Dr. Tom Frazier of Autism Speaks made the presentation.

By Larry Gray





#### **Grand Council**





Every year, on the third Saturday of July, the Grand Council sponsors a rededication ceremony at the site of the commemorative Masonic Shrine at New Albany, Council #1. On July 20th this year's ceremony was officiated by Most Illustrious Grand Master, David R Ulrich, and the officers of the Grand Council. Grand Council celebrates the rededication all weekend, with a golf outing, a luncheon river cruise, the Zanzibar degree, and an amazing Hospitality Room.



There were 14 Sir Knights present to Form the Lines before the ceremony on July 20th.





Thank you to all those who sent me pictures for this event. Thank you to Sean Jones for teaching me why Council does the Rededication!



## Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund



#### Do you ever make a donation and wondered how it's being used?

# Here is a story from a Minister that *YOU* helped send to the Holy Land!

The entire 10 days seemed like a whirlwind. So many sites, so much information to obtain, so much to learn about this special, holy place. The day we visited the Garden of Gethsemane, though, God put the brakes on my mind, and my spirit. As we entered the garden, we were almost completely alone as a group. There was only one other group there during our time at the site. Ezra (our incredible tour guide) told us to go find a place where we could be alone with God. I used the time to read the Gospel accounts of Jesus and His disciples in the garden. Time almost stood still. As I looked upon the very trees that could have been a silent witness to Jesus' sweat, blood, and tears, I was reminded of the ultimate prayer of a true disciple of Jesus "Not my will, but Yours".

There was no earth-shaking spiritual moment, just a quiet peace that reminded me that anywhere my Master calls me, He will already be there waiting on me. And HE is trustworthy. Not my will, Father, but Yours!

Heath Holly Pastor Community Fellowship









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## **Knights Templar Eye Foundation**

Some ways your donations are being used...



For our newer members and to refresh the memory of our more senior members, I would like to take a few moments to give you a brief history of the "Eye Foundation" and why it was created and how it operates today. From the Grand Encampment Web Site for the Eye Foundation:

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, incorporated in 1956, is a charity sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar.

The original mission of the Foundation was "to provide assistance to those who face loss of sight due to the need for surgical treatment without regard to race, color, creed, age, sex or national origin provided they are unable to pay or receive adequate assistance from current government agencies or similar sources and to provide funds for research in curing diseases of the eye."

On December 31, 2010, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., by direction of the board, shifted the Foundation's focus and adopted a new mission statement "to improve vision through research, education, and supporting access to care." The Foundation now only participates in direct patient care through the Seniors Eye Care Program in partnership with EyeCare America and the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. With this change, the Foundation is benefitting untold millions in generations to come through grants that support research and education. Our research dollars have helped develop new, nonsurgical, treatments for strabismus (crossed eyes) and ophthalmologists have told us that our efforts in funding pediatric ophthalmology research have been the primary reason that there are fewer and fewer surgeries for strabismus. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., annually announces its call for research grant applications. The Foundation invites eligible investigators to submit applications for pediatric ophthalmology research grants for the award period which normally runs from July 1 to June 30. From the applications received, the Scientific Advisory Committee recommends to the Trustees which requests should be funded.

Since its inception, the Foundation has expended over \$148 million on research, patient care, and education. Research grants totaling in excess of \$24 million have been awarded to researchers working in the fields of pediatric ophthalmology and ophthalmic genetics.

On May 29, 2019 we had the honor of presenting a "Career Starter Grant" in the amount of \$65,000.00 from the "Knights Templar Eye Foundation" to Raji Shyam, Phd. Doctor Shyam is a Post-Doctoral Fellow at the "Joseph Bonanno Laboratory" located at "Indiana University School of Optometry". She is researching the causes and possible treatment of **Congenital Hereditary Endothelia Dystrophy** or (CHED).

These grants are not easy to earn. This past year there were over 40 applications for Career Starter Grants nationwide. The applications are then reviewed by the "Knights Templar Eye Foundation Scientific Advisory Committee" which consists of 10 Physicians and Research Scientists, who then make recommendations as to who should receive the grant. There were only 20 grants presented this year. So, you can see this is a very competitive process.

In the 51<sup>st</sup> campaign which ended on May 15<sup>th</sup>, Indiana ranked 13<sup>th</sup> of all Grand Commanderies with a contribution of \$22,043.93. This is an average contribution of \$7.67 per member. For the 52<sup>nd</sup> campaign which began on June 1st, I would like to encourage each Commandery set a goal of only \$10.00 per member. This is only \$2.33 additional per member. The Foundation is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and contributions made to the Foundation are deductible by donors.

I want to thank the Sir Knights of Indiana for your continued strong support of the "Knights Templar Eye Foundation".

## **Important Dates**

Subject to Change

| August 8     | Greenfield #39 Inspection<br>6pm-10pm                                  |  |  |
|--------------|--|--|--|
|              | 661 W. Tague St, Greenfield IN 46141                                   |  |  |
|              | Contact Randal P. Ellington rpellington@gmail.com                      |  |  |
| August 9     | Kokomo #36 Inspection  |  |  |
|              | 7pm-10pm   |  |  |
|              | 316 N. Washington St., Kokomo, IN 46901                                |  |  |
|              | Contact Randy Spaulding <u>ubuildu@yahoo.com</u>                       |  |  |
| August 10    | Battalion VIII Reception and Inspection                                |  |  |
|              | Hosted by Vincennes #20  |  |  |
|              | 501 Broadway St. Vincennes, IN 47591                                   |  |  |
|              | Contact Mike Stoner <u>sk_doc_stoner@yahoo.com</u>                     |  |  |
|              | Reception is open to Ladies and Guests                                 |  |  |
| August 24    | Battalion IV Meeting   |  |  |
|              | Hosted by Crawfordsville #25   |  |  |
|              | 221 S. Washington St., Crawfordsville, IN 47933                        |  |  |
|              | Contact Joseph L. Sparks joseph.sparks86@gmail.com                     |  |  |
| September 7  | Grand Master's York Rite Class   |  |  |
|              | Hosted by LaValette Commandery #15                                     |  |  |
|              | 301 Chestnut St, Evansville, IN 47713                                  |  |  |
| September 14 | Battalion III Reception  |  |  |
|              | 1pm-3pm  |  |  |
|              | 701 Eastmont Dr, Gas City, IN 46933                                    |  |  |
|              | Contact Randy Spaulding <u>ubuildu@yahoo.com</u>                       |  |  |
|              | Open to Ladies and Guests  |  |  |
| September 15 | Masonic Home Festival  |  |  |
|              | 690 State St., Franklin, IN 46131                                      |  |  |
|              | Contact Phil Whisner to participate in the Ceremonies                  |  |  |
|              | Standard Uniform or Cap and Mantle                                     |  |  |
|              | Sir Knights Assemble at 8:15 by the stage for the Flag Presentation    |  |  |
|              | Sir Knights Assemble at 2:30 for the parade. Location to be announced. |  |  |
|              | p_whisner@aol.com  |  |  |
|              | Families welcome   |  |  |

| September 16 | <b>Richmond #8 / Connersville #6 Inspection</b><br>7pm-11pm<br>4090 S. A St., Richmond, IN 47374<br>Contact Randal P. Ellington <u>rpellington@gmail.com</u> |
|--------------|--|
| September 23 | <b>Baldwin #2 Inspection</b><br>6pm-10pm<br>4801 N. 450 W., Fairland, IN 46126<br>Contact Randal P. Ellington <u>rpellington@gmail.com</u>                   |
| September 27 | Kokomo #36 Reception<br>6pm-9pm<br>316 N. Washington St., Kokomo, IN 46901<br>Contact Randy Spaulding <u>ubuildu@yahoo.com</u><br>Open to Ladies and Guests  |

## This Month in History...

1790 - The first United States Census was conducted with 3,929,214 people counted that year.

1909 - The first automobile race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

1929 - Babe Ruth became the first baseball player to hit 500 home runs in his career.

1932 - Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly across the United States non-stop, from LA to Newark.

1946 - Santa Claus Land, the first modern themed amusement park, opened in Santa Claus, IN

1961 - East Germany closed the border between the eastern and western sectors of Berlin with the Berlin Wall.

1966 - The Beatles performed their last concert at Candlestick Park in San Francisco.

1974 - President Richard Nixon, in a nationwide television address, announced his resignation from the office of the President of the United States, effective noon the next day.

1981 - Donkey Kong, a video game created by Nintendo, was released, featuring the debut of Mario.

1984 - Red Dawn, starring Patrick Swayze and Charlie Sheen, became the first-ever PG-13 movie to be released in theaters.

1985 - Back to the Future was released, featuring the now famous 1981 DeLorean DMC-12 time machine.

2008 - Swimmer Michael Phelps became the first person to win eight gold medals in one Olympic Games. Source: <u>popculturemadness.com</u>



#### Right Eminent Grand Commander Mike Robbins and his lady, Patty, Invite you to join them on the 2020 Easter Sunrise Service Bus Trip



**Prices:** Single \$1025 Couple \$1395 Family Rates available

Complete form and mail to Monica Peterson, 16065 E. 126th Street, Fishers, IN 46037 Contact George at ginglespgc@comcast.net to pay by credit card. Additional 3% processing fee will apply. Please include \$150 non-refundable deposit made out to *Grand Commandery Knights Templar*. Reservations due by January 1, 2020. Final Payment due by February 1, 2020 Any questions, please contact Monica Peterson (317) 696-4844 or monipaints4u@yahoo.com

| Names:  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Address:  |  |  |  |  |
| His cell phone #:   | Her cell phone #:  |  |  |  |
| Email Address:  |  |  |  |  |
| Are you a US Military Veteran? Y / N (circle one)<br>Are you a Senior? Y / N (circle one) | IF there is a choice, do you<br>prefer: 2 double beds OR<br>1 king bed? (circle one) |  |  |  |
| Do you require a wheelchair accessible bus? Y / N   |  |  |  |  |
| Are you rooming with someone? Who?  |  |  |  |  |

#### Tuesday, April 7th

3:30 p.m or after - Meet and Greet at Holiday Inn Express Indianapolis - Southeast (included) 6:00 p.m. Pizza Party (included)

7:30 p.m. Bowling for those who'd like to go (not included)

#### Wednesday, April 8th

Breakfast is available at the hotel (included), but time is limited
6:30 a.m. The bus will arrive at our hotel. We will load the snacks and drinks for our trip.
6:45 a.m. Load the luggage and board the bus
7:00 a.m. The bus departs the hotel
11:30 a.m. Stop for lunch in St. Clairsville, Ohio (not included)
3:00 p.m. Christian Klay Winery - tour and tasting
4:45 p.m. Reboard the bus
6:30 p.m. Stop for dinner (not included)
8:30 p.m. Check into the Sleep Inn in Cumberland, MD

Thursday, April 9th

Breakfast is available at the hotel (included), but time is limited
7:00 a.m. The bus departs the hotel
9:30 a.m. Tour the National Law Enforcement Museum (guided tour - *Just the Facts*)
11:30 p.m. Board bus to Alexandria for lunch and to explore on your own
3:00 p.m. Bus will depart Alexandria and go to the hotel
Arrive at the hotel in Arlington - we stay here for 3 nights
Dinner is on your own
7:30 p.m. Night tour of the DC Monuments

#### Friday, April 10th

There will be a very light breakfast in the Hospitality Room.

9:15 a.m. The bus departs the hotel

10:00 a.m. Tour the Library of Congress (arrive early to go through security)

The rest of the day is yours to explore downtown Washington DC. The bus will come pick up

passengers around 1, 4, 7, and 9pm. You will receive information by text that day.

#### Saturday, April 11th

There will be a very light breakfast in the Hospitality Room.

8:45 a.m. Bus departs for Arlington Cemetery (arrive early to go through security)

9:45 a.m. Board the tram to tour Arlington Cemetery and go to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier 11:15 a.m. Laying of the Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

12:30 p.m. Depart Arlington Cemetery to return to the hotel

Lunch is on your own

2:30 p.m. The bus will take passengers to the George Washington Masonic Memorial for a tour

4:30 p.m. The bus will depart the Memorial to return to the hotel

7:00 p.m. Indiana State Dinner at Buca Di Beppo (included)

#### Sunday, April 12th

5:30 a.m. Grand Encampment breakfast at the hotel (included)

6:30 a.m. Bus departs for the George Washington Masonic Memorial for the Easter Sunrise Service 8:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service

9:00 a.m. Bus departs the Memorial to return to the hotel

10:00 a.m. Bus departs the hotel to return home

10:00 p.m. Arrive in Indianapolis

Times and tours subject to change.



**GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR** 



## **OF INDIANA**

#### **Bulletin No. 7 Robbins**

July 18, 2019

#### Indiana Grand Commandery Ritual Competition

Sir Knights All,

I am pleased to announce the first Indiana Grand Commandery Ritual Competition to be held at the Grand Conclave in Muncie, Indiana on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

The competition is based on your command of the ritual for accuracy and delivery.

Three addresses in the Commandery Ritual have been chosen for this initial competition. The Junior Wardens Address, found on pages 113 and 114, the Prelate's Address, found on page 136 through the middle of page 138, and Ode to the Skull, found on page 131. You may choose to compete in one or all three addresses.

The only requirement is that you are a member in good standing of a Constituent Commandery of Indiana at the time of the Grand Commandery Conclave.

The registration form, complete rules, and information for this competition is attached to this Bulletin.

Registration forms must be completed and submitted by April 17, 2020. Forms are also available by contacting Ed Fodrea at <u>hfa.phd1@gmail.com</u>

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of July, A.D. 2019, A.O. 901.

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Michael F. Robbins, Grand Commander

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George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, Grand Recorder



#### 2019-2020 Grand Commandery Ritual Competition

Eligibility: Any member of any Constituent Commandery of Indiana is eligible (any card-carrying member). Any Sir Knight can participate in one or all of the categories chosen this year. You do not have to hold that or any office in your Commandery.

**Judging:** Judging will consist of 3 judges. There will be 2 judges for the accuracy and 1 for the delivery.

The ritual judges will follow the ritual and score for accuracy (wording MUST be exactly as in the ritual, word for word).

Deductions as follows:

1 point off for each missed/added word.

10 points off for each time a prompt is requested by the competitor. Prompts will ONLY be given by request from the competitor.

The delivery judge will score the competitor on the manner in which the Sir Knight exemplifies the work, makes eye contact with the "candidate", remains calm and makes proper use of the props, etc. The final score cards will be totaled by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee's ruling will be final.

Each competitor will be allowed to give the lecture to a "candidate", but this is not required. If used, the "candidate" MUST be a Sir Knight. Any help or signage from this Sir Knight will result in a 50-point deduction.

The Junior Warden MUST be in Full Templar uniform and have any needed props.

The Prelate MUST be in Full Regalia OR Full Templar uniform together with all props (i.e., Bible, Cross, etc.)

The Ode to the Skull must be in Full Templar uniform or appropriate ceremonial costume.

Scoring is similar to Drill Competition. A base of 1000 points is the starting point for the competition. In case of a tie the following method will be used to break it:

Ritual Work – 1st tie breaker

Delivery Work - 2nd tie breaker

Competitors will be placed in 15-minute blocks. Each competitor will be notified of his time slot via mail or e-mail by April 21, 2020 If a competitor is participating in the Drill Competition this will be considered in placing his time slot for the Ritual Competition.

Complete and return this portion to:

Edward Fodrea, GG Chairman Ritual Competition 11128 Hickory Tree Rd Fort Wayne, IN 46845 hfa.phd1@gmail.com

#### 2019-2020 Grand Commandery of Indiana Ritual Competition Registration Form

| Sir Knight                     |                    | Home Phone       |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Commandery                     | Address_           |                  |
| E-mail                         | City & Zip         |                  |
| Jr. Warden's Address           | Prelate's Address  | Ode to the Skull |
| You can compete in all three i | f you desire.      |                  |
| Drill Team Member?             | If so, which team? |                  |



## Check out Indiana Grand Commandery's website

http://indianaknightstemplar.com/



## Indiana Grand Commandery is on Facebook too!

https://www.facebook.com/INGrandCommandery/



## What is your Commandery doing?

Community Service? Public event? Reception? Rededication? Pancake Breakfast? Chili Dinner? Social Hour? Bowling? New Sir Knights? 50 year award? Parades? Important Dates to add to the Calendar? Send me your pictures and your stories! <u>monipaints4u@yahoo.com</u>

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